

CHAS. Thomas House (NOW IMMANUEL PARISH HOUSE)
Strand and Harmony Streets
New Castle, Delaware

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Historic American Buildings Survey
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THOMAS HOUSE
now IMMANUEL PARISH HOUSEOwner: Rector, Wardens and Vestry of Immanuel ChurchDate of Erection: 1801Builder: Peter CrowdingPresent Condition: Very GoodNumber of Stories: Basement, three stories below cornice,
one and a loft above.Materials of Construction: Brick. Flemish bond on street
fronts. Usual use of wood construction in joists, rafters,
floors, stairs, mantelpieces, paneling, doors and trim.
Plastered interiors. Roof of old portion shingled originally,
tinued at present.Other Existing Records: Immanuel Parish Records; Survey
of New Castle for 1804; Offices of Recorder of Deeds and
Register of Wills of New Castle County.Additional Data: An extremely unusual post Colonial build-
ing in plan and especially in side elevation. Very narrow,
about 22', and high with two main entrances (front and side).
Large dormer on Strand. Truncated gables interesting and un-
usual. Excellent and rather elaborate detail inside and out.
Originally planned for hotel uses, the first floor room facing
Strand is one step lower than the other first floor rooms,
and the main stairs and hall are on axis of the Harmony Street
doorway. In 1815 The Immanuel Church Congregation built an
addition for parish house uses, viz: an auditorium, staircase,
gymnasium and toilets, in harmony with the original building.Laussat & Rogers

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